COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT)		
NEGOTIATED BY BELLSOUTH)		
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND)		
POWERTEL, INC., PURSUANT TO)	CASE NO.	97-233
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE)		
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)		

ORDER

On March 2, 1998, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Powertel, Inc. ("Powertel") submitted to the Commission the First Amendment to their negotiated interconnection agreement that was approved by the Commission on May 20, 1997. The amendment was negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("1996 Act"), 47 U.S.C. Sections 251 and 252. Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act requires the parties to an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation to submit the agreement for approval to the Commission.

The Commission has reviewed the amendment and finds that no portion of the amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this amendment is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

Powertel must comply with all relevant Commission mandates for serving in this Commonwealth.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the negotiated amendment between BellSouth and Powertel is approved.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of March, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairmad '

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director